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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from October 16 to November 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Argyle Lake State Park

1902011 - This project will replace existing wayside bases which house interpretive panels and install double sided kiosks at several locations to provide orientation to park users. Project was submitted for review on 8-24-18.

Starved Rock State Park

1903471 – This project involves construction of a new outdoor kitchen area in the location of the existing outdoor kitchen. Project was submitted for review on 9-27-18

Lake Michigan Watershed Invasive Plant Strike Team

1902177 - This project involves funding for the Lake County Forest Preserve District to hire a contractor to treat invasive common reed, cattail and reed canary grass. Project was submitted for review on 8-29-18.

William W. Powers State Recreation Area

1406336 - This project is a reauthorization of a previous review for boat ramp replacement on Wolf Lake. Project was submitted for review on 9-27-18.

World Shooting Recreational Complex

1904026 - This project involves construction of a concrete pad and minor ditch work. Project was submitted for review on 10-18-18.

Edward Madigan State Park

1904030 - This project will demolish an existing shed within the site maintenance area. Project was submitted for review on 10-18-18.

Vandalia State House State Historic Site

1903845 - This project involves excavation adjacent to the foundation and repair the source of a foundation leak. Project was submitted for review on 10-11-18.

I&M Canal State Trail-Ottawa

1903950 - This project minor dredging of an additional 400 ft long section of the canal as an addendum to CERP 1802575. Project was submitted for review on 10-16-18

Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site

1903993 - This project involves installation of new dedication trees in the Site. Project was submitted for review on 10-17-18.

Mazonia Braidwood State Fish & Wildlife Area

1904114 - This project includes 500 linear feet of ditch cleaning, clearing and reshaping south of Dondanville Rd to improve drainage issues. Project was originally submitted for review on 10-22-18.

Fox Ridge State Recreation Area

1903982- This project involves increasing the size of the site residence master bathroom, replacement of all necessary plumbing fixtures and provide all new finishes for the master bedroom and bathroom. Project was submitted for review on 10-16-18

Kickapoo State Park

1903292- This project involves improving all existing park roads within Kickapoo State Park. Project was submitted for review on 9-24-18.

Eagle Creek & Wolf Creek State Parks

1314046 - This project is a reauthorization of a previously approved CERP request. The project involves increasing the capacity and repairing two lift stations and running a duplicate sewer line between the parks. Project was submitted for review on 10-24-2018.

Middle Fork Fish & Wildlife Area

1904113 - This project will use the Department's heavy equipment crew to grade and stabilize two areas on the equestrian trail. Project was submitted for review on 9-22-18.

Illinois Beach State Park- North Unit

1901175 - This project involves repairs to three water line breaks in the north picnic area at the shelter and parking lot water fountains. Project was submitted for review on 8-3-18.

Northern Lakeshore Bike & Pedestrian Trail **Connectivity Plan Development**

1903456 - This is a planning project for various northeastern Illinois communities, with oversight from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, the Lake County Forest Preserve District, and the IDNR with a goal to develop cohesive bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Project was submitted for review on 9-27-18.

Eggers Marsh

1504180 - This project is a CERP reauthorization for hydrology restoration planning. Project was submitted for review on 10-29-18.

Flood Hazard Mitigation

1902762 - This project involves providing financial support to Lake County to purchase three flood prone homes, demolition of the structures, and restoration of the land to manageable open space for public use. Project was submitted for review on 9-11-18.

I&M Canal- Utica

1904488 - This is a lease agreement between the IDNR and Village of North Utica permitting the Village to maintain the State property in and around the community. Project was submitted for review on 10-30-18.

Starved Rock State Park

1903980 - This project involves expanding the existing Parkman's Plain parking area. Project was submitted for review on 10/16/18.

James "Pate" Phillips State Park

1904601 - This project involves routine maintenance along the limestone trails system, specifically removal of woody vegetation from within 15' on either side of the trail. Project was submitted for review on 11-2-18.

Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site

1904342 -This project involves demolition of a garage and removal of debris from the existing ranger residence. Project was submitted for review on 10-26-

Cache River State Natural Area

1903964 - This project involves repairing a level which has been degraded by beavers and tree encroachment. Project was submitted for review on 10-16-18.

Starved Rock State Park

1903369 - This project involves repairing the west wall, damaged as the result of a water leak. Project was submitted for review on 9-26-18.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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